

Subject: FW: Potomac Yard - Outstanding Work Order Proposals (WOPs)

Mr Tolbert,

EPA received two work order proposals (attached) for air quality sampling services from Cassidy Turley that they ordered as result of an IAQ issue on the fifth floor of the PY2 Building. EPA provided their own sampling/tests for this space and did not request--nor approved--this work by the landlord. It is our position that the landlord shall cover these costs. I ask that you please address this issue with Cassidy Turley. Please call me if you have any questions.

Thank you, John

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kirkland, Wanda [mailto:Wanda.Kirkland@cassidyurley.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2014 3:41 PM
To: Charles Tolbert - WPM1D (charles.tolbert@gsa.gov)
Cc: Darrell Helton - WPM1D (darrell.helton@gsa.gov); Rees, Regina; Smith, HelenT; Dady, John; Hood, Colin; Turner, Preston; Parham, David
Subject: Potomac Yard - Outstanding Work Order Proposals (WOPs)

Good Afternoon Charles,

Per your meeting with EPA and Cassidy Turley on Tuesday, please find an Outstanding WOP Summary along with copies of the below outstanding WOPS (with back up) on file for EPA:

EPA 5th FI Carbon filters.pdf
EPA 5th FI IAQ.pdf
EPA 5th FI Pesticide Assessment.pdf
EPA Conf Rm OTHVAC 10.2014.pdf
EPA Delta Barrier Ownership Fee.pdf
EPA Delta Barrier valve repl.pdf
EPA FY14 Q4 Submeter Charges.pdf

EPA FY15 Submeter Charges.pdf
EPA Generator&DC Maint FY15 - FY17.pdf

Please note I will re-send under separate cover the WOP previously submitted re: Ownership's 10% fee to manage USAID's generator contract. The amount was not included on GSA's Award.

Should you have questions or require additional information after reviewing the content, please let us know.

Thank you,

Wanda

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Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2014 2:49 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Subject: RE: OSHA Inspection

Hi Roy,
I just sent her some additional information she requested today. Nothing on a final yet.

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2014 12:48 PM
To: Watson, Cassie; Wilson, Howard
Subject: OSHA Inspection

Any word yet on a final response from Angela? Thanks.

Roy

Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2014 12:43 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Watson, Cassie
Cc: Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: RE: Final Report?

I don't envision a final report but it might be appropriate to summarize the meeting with a few bullets like no additional work is planned, chemical use and plant care are likely topics for future discussion and distribution of information; ORCR plans to begin assisting employees ready to return to their historic workplaces, ... A telephone call call with you Cassie and I would probably help to frame the nature of a joint memo or solo memo to ORCR employees.

Howard

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Tuesday, November 11, 2014 8:15 PM
To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie
Subject: Final Report?

Howard/Cassie: are there plans to prepare a final report of any kind? Barnes has asked. I didn't think so but wanted to check. Thanks.

Roy

Sent from my Windows Phone

Prince, Roy

From: Smith, HelenT
Sent: Friday, November 07, 2014 2:42 PM
To: Price, Tyrone; Prince, Roy; Foerster, Kent
Subject: RE: Chair to be cleaned

Roy it has been confirmed that the chairs will be deodorizer and cleaned on November 21, 2014 between hours of 8:00-9:00 a.m. In order to clean the conference room chairs it has to be a Friday because the CR are not being used.

From: Price, Tyrone
Sent: Friday, November 07, 2014 2:16 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Foerster, Kent; Smith, HelenT
Subject: Re: Chair to be cleaned

Wh's paying for this to happen?

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Friday, November 07, 2014 7:03 PM
To: Foerster, Kent; Smith, HelenT; Price, Tyrone
Subject: FW: Chair to be cleaned

Helen: as discussed on the phone. The chair to be cleaned is for (b) (6) who sits in cubicle (b) (6). You stated that the chair will probably be cleaned on November 18th. Thanks very much.

Roy

Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2014 7:34 AM
To: Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Subject: RE: Question about OSHA Inspector

Good morning Roy,

I'm booked solid this morning with an interview panel. The person (b) (6) need to speak to is the same person we have been telling all of your folks to call from the beginning Patricia Hemmer. The same email that we sent the the OSHA inspector last week from you to your employees. (b) (5)

Any questions or concerns please contact me.
R/Cassie

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: 11/5/2014 4:51 PM
To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie
Subject: Question about OSHA Inspector

Howard/Cassie: I had an inquiry from [REDACTED] asking how to get medical bills reimbursed that [REDACTED] may have incurred due to the 5th floor situation, and also any office supplies [REDACTED] may have had to personally procure due to having to work at home. As you can see below, early today I sent him the information to help [REDACTED] file a Worker's Compensation Claim and also how to get reimbursed for his office supply purchases. [REDACTED] responded that the OSHA Inspector that [REDACTED] talked to last week informed him that those forms were incorrect. I want to talk directly to Angela and ask her if she did indeed inform [REDACTED] of that. Would you like to be on the call I make in the morning to her to discuss this? Thanks.

Roy

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 05, 2014 4:19 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Fitz-James, Schatzi; Hopkins, Steve
Subject: Re: Available to talk?
Roy,

During the OSHA inspection, the OSHA inspector called me and one of the things she indicated was that the directions and forms for these things were not correct, so before I go down this road, I am going to wait for the inspection results. Thanks. [REDACTED]

From: Prince, Roy

Sent: Wednesday, November 5, 2014 2:25 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: Fitz-James, Schatzi; Hopkins, Steve

Subject: RE: Available to talk?

I understand [REDACTED]. We'll wait for the OSHA inspection results. Also, as requested, any discussion that occurs will include your direct report manager and Steve Hopkins (or any other union representatives you'd like to have present).

Regarding any medical expenses that are related to the 5th floor situation, here's a paragraph from an email I sent to everyone in ORCR back on July 30th regarding Worker's Compensation should it be needed. Patricia Hemmer can provide further instructions on that process if needed. Also, let me know if I can provide any further help with it.

Worker's Compensation

This site on EPA's intranet provides information concerning forms, roles of employee and supervisor, and step by step instructions for following the prescribed process: <http://intranet.epa.gov/ohr/benefits/workerscomp/index.htm>. Also, please contact Patricia Hemmer at 202-564-0245 in the Headquarters Office of Human Resources if you plan to file a Worker's Compensation claim.

Regarding office supplies you have purchased while working at home: please fill out the PDF form I've attached above and Nolean Deskins will process it for you and we'll see what we can do to get you directly reimbursed. As our Funds Control Officer, Nolean is well versed in the ins and outs of that form and can answer any questions you may have on it. Her phone number is 703-308-8397.

Thanks.

Roy Prince

703-308-0012

Prince, Roy

From: Rees, Regina <Regina.Rees@cassidyturley.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 04, 2014 4:37 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Subject: Individual Plants
Attachments: removed.txt

Hi Roy and Howard,

Thank you for inviting me to the "All Hands on Meeting" today, I want to let you know we will continue to assist EPA anyway we can with regards to the 5th floor incident and with any newly developed policies (if any) regarding individual plants. The decision to allow or not allow plants in the space is ultimately up to EPA and we (the Building Owner) will agree with whatever decision EPA makes. We realize the plant issue is a delicate topic with employees.

Please let me know if there is anything we can do to assist.

Thank you.

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Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Monday, November 03, 2014 5:05 PM
To: Wilson, Howard; Prince, Roy
Subject: FW: ORCR All-hands Meeting regarding 5th Floor

Roy/Howard,

My understanding is that the unions were invited to attend all of the meetings. I know NTEU was in attendance over the phone at the first all-hands (Anne Pastorkovich).

As for the OSHA visit, I do not know whether or not the unions were informed about it.

R/Cassie

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11/3/2014 4:46 PM
To: Hopkins, Steve; Prince, Roy; Rathbun, Daniel; Coomber, Robert; Al-Mudallal, Amer; Lynne, Diane; Pastorkovich, Anne-Marie; James, Nathaniel; Carpenter, Wesley; Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie; Smith, HelenT; Green, Bucky; Rees, Regina; OSWER ORCR EVERYONE; Kovak, Brian; Bertrand, Charlotte; Hoskinson, Carolyn; Barolo, Mark
Subject: RE: ORCR All-hands Meeting regarding 5th Floor

Steve,
I don't know the answers to your questions. Someone from management will have to respond. Thanks,

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From: Hopkins, Steve

Sent: Monday, November 03, 2014 12:07 PM

To: Prince, Roy; Rathbun, Daniel; Coomber, Robert; Al-Mudallal, Amer; Lynne, Diane; Pastorkovich, Anne-Marie; James, Nathaniel; Carpenter, Wesley; Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie; Smith, HelenT; Green, Bucky; Rees, Regina; OSWER ORCR EVERYONE; Kovak, Brian; Bertrand, Charlotte; Hoskinson, Carolyn; Barolo, Mark

Subject: RE: ORCR All-hands Meeting regarding 5th Floor

I can attend. I will have to catch the 10:30 shuttle to make the leave bank meeting at 11:00.

I had a call from OSHA but not connected.

Have we had earlier information on this? I've reached out to NTEU and they seem to have been previously involved but did not have anybody at the inspection last week.

Did we have an invite?

I heard that they were told that we were invited but did not attend.

I'm hearing that there was an event where people felt sick enough to seek medical attention, what is the Agency's policy on notifying the unions?

Steve Hopkins

-----Original Appointment-----

From: James, Nathaniel **On Behalf Of** Prince, Roy

Sent: Monday, November 03, 2014 8:05 AM

To: Hopkins, Steve

Subject: FW: ORCR All-hands Meeting regarding 5th Floor

When: Tuesday, November 04, 2014 9:00 AM-10:30 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Large Conference Room in Potomac Yard South Building

Can you attend this meeting?

-----Original Message-----

The Safety, Health, and Environmental Management Division and the toxicologist heading up the PY North 5th floor investigation will discuss their findings to date and answer questions.

Call In information

Dial-In Number: [REDACTED]

Conference Code: [REDACTED]

Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Monday, November 03, 2014 3:23 PM
To: dance.angela@dol.gov
Cc: Watson, Cassie; Prince, Roy; Barbour-Swann, Shuan
Subject: EPA All-Hands Meeting and Circumstances Regarding your visit

Angela:

I talked with Cassie Watson on my staff and Roy Prince with the management team for the employees you met at our Potomac Yard office. I wanted to confirm the circumstances that led up to your visit to our offices in preparation for an all-hands meeting with employees tomorrow morning. It is my understanding, please confirm, that you were asked by the OSHA office in Norfolk, VA to conduct a site visit and interview employees related to a complaint filed for an insecticide sprayed in the workplace. It is also my understanding that your inspection was in response to an appeal of the Norfolk office decision to close the case based on information submitted by EPA.

Please feel free to call me on my cell phone at [REDACTED]

Thank you.

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From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Friday, October 31, 2014 10:34 AM
To: Jeffrey.Church@foh.hhs.gov
Cc: Watson, Cassie; Dr. R Hugh Granger Ph.D.; Barbour-Swann, Shuan
Subject: RE: IH Participation for EPA All-Hands Meeting on Nov. 4

Jeff: Thank you. I was away from my desk – I will await confirmation and call you if necessary.

Howard

From: Church, Jeffrey (PSC/FOH/EHSS) [mailto:Jeffrey.Church@foh.hhs.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 31, 2014 10:27 AM
To: Wilson, Howard
Cc: Watson, Cassie
Subject: Re: IH Participation for EPA All-Hands Meeting on Nov. 4

Mr Wilson,

I left you a vm that I am not available but the performer who did the work should be and will confirm with you directly today. Call my mobile if you need me.
Jeff

From: Wilson, Howard [mailto:Wilson.Howard@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 31, 2014 09:37 AM
To: Church, Jeffrey (PSC/FOH/EHSS)
Cc: Watson, Cassie <Watson.Cassie@epa.gov>
Subject: IH Participation for EPA All-Hands Meeting on Nov. 4
Captain Church:

I apologize for the late notice but I would like you, or the IH firm that conducted the IAQ sampling and fungal sampling at EPA's Potomac Yard building, to be present, or participate by telephone, at an all-hands meeting with employees working on the floor where the sampling was conducted. The meeting is from 9-10:30 AM on Tues. November 4. I realize you are out of the office today – If I don't hear back from you today, I will try to reach you on your cell phone this afternoon.

Thank you,

Howard

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Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 11:08 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Subject: RE: OSHA site inspection at Potomac Yards today?

Thank you, Roy.

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: 10/28/2014 5:52 PM
To: Watson, Cassie
Cc: Carpenter, Wesley; Wilson, Howard
Subject: RE: OSHA site inspection at Potomac Yards today?

Cassie: when she first came over to our office last week I provided her with the names and phone numbers for Amer, Diane, and Anne for NTEU and Nate James for AFGE. She mentioned she would be contacting them. I'm not aware if she did or not.

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: 10/28/2014 5:39 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Carpenter, Wesley; Wilson, Howard
Subject: FW: OSHA site inspection at Potomac Yards today?

Hi Roy,

Ms. Dance visited me today for the first time and she did not ask for the Union. Did she ask you on last Wednesday when we were at a management visit? She stopped by my office this evening and asked for files and records that I provided her.

R/Cassie

From: Carter, Beverly
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 5:26 PM
To: Carpenter, Wesley
Cc: Watson, Cassie; Carter, Beverly
Subject: Fwd: OSHA site inspection at Potomac Yards today?

Hi Wes,

Please see message from AFGE, Steve Hopkins below. Can you help me respond to this inquiry?

From: Hopkins, Steve

Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 5:04 PM

To: White, Ken

Subject: OSHA site inspection at Potomac Yards today?

I understand that OSHA conducted a site inspection at Potomac Yards **today**, and asked for the union representatives.

AFGE was unaware that such an inspection was scheduled and were not invited to the party.

Can you tell me what is going on and why AFGE wasn't invited?

My experience with OSHA inspections is that they always try to make contact with and include the Unions in a site inspection.

Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 9:43 AM
To: Prince, Roy; Kovak, Brian; Barbour-Swann, Shuan; Brian Kovak
Subject: OSHA visit at PY

Roy, I left a voice message for Ms Dance but have not heard from her. I'm available if you need me by email. I'm attending the National Worker Safety and Health Technical conference in WJC East. Please reach out to Shuan if you need us.

R/Cassie

Sent from my Windows Phone

Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Friday, October 24, 2014 4:04 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Wilson, Howard; Huff, Mark J; Barbour-Swann, Shuan; Fielden, Daniel
Subject: Results of 10-1-14 sampling at Potomac Yard building
Attachments: FOH IH Report - ORCR PY-N 10.1.14.pdf

Roy,

SHEMD has received and reviewed the results of the Federal Occupational Health environmental sampling performed in the northwest corner of the fifth floor of Potomac Yard North. The area was surveyed on October 1, 2014, and the sampling was performed in response to a request from ORCR due to concern regarding an employee's health.

During this visit, FOH's contractor performed sampling and/or direct reading for bioaerosols, spores, carbon dioxide, temperature and relative humidity. While office temperatures were slightly below the comfort range, all other indicators of indoor air quality returned within acceptable ranges. Please find complete results in the attached report.

Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Respectfully,
Cassie Watson
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Safety, Health & Environmental Mgmt. Division

Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 3:46 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Subject: Fw: Unannounced OSHA Visit to PY - Today

Fyi; I return to the office tomorrow.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 3:14 PM
To: Barbour-Swann, Shuan
Cc: Wilson, Howard
Subject: RE: Unannounced OSHA Visit to PY - Today

Got it. I cc'd him on it. Thanks, Shuan.

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: Barbour-Swann, Shuan
Sent: 10/22/2014 2:56 PM
To: Watson, Cassie
Cc: Wilson, Howard
Subject: FW: Unannounced OSHA Visit to PY - Today

I sent this to Wes. Sorry I did not cc you, just trying to get him the info as fast as it comes to us.

From: Barbour-Swann, Shuan
Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 2:49 PM
To: Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: FW: Unannounced OSHA Visit to PY - Today

From: Fielden, Daniel
Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 2:47 PM
To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie; Barbour-Swann, Shuan; Lemond, Janet
Subject: RE: Unannounced OSHA Visit to PY - Today

Hey All,

After Shuan, Janet, and I talked on the phone, I called Regina as discussed and learned the following:

Apparently the OSHA inspector arrived at ~10:30 a.m. then toured the 5th floor and wanted to talk with some affected employees. Helen and Roy directed the inspector to [REDACTED] (not sure which one) and [REDACTED] and the inspector went behind closed doors. Regina left while they were behind closed doors, so she's not sure what (if anything) happened after that.

Regina said that apparently OSHA was "putting the issue to bed" after EPA's response to OSHA, but that an EPA employee (or employees) effectively submitted a document contesting EPA's response.

Dan

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From: Fielden, Daniel

Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 2:38 PM

To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie; Barbour-Swann, Shuan

Cc: Lemond, Janet

Subject: Unannounced OSHA Visit to PY - Today

Hey Howard et al.,

I happened to learn from Regina (ERG related conversation on my ERG account) and she let me know that apparently OSHA showed up at PY today for an unannounced walkthrough of the 5th floor and to interview affected employees. Apparently Roy is handling it right now.

Dan

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Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:24 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Watson, Cassie; Barbour-Swann, Shuan
Subject: FW: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Roy: here is some preliminary data and schedule information – as would be expected, interior spore counts are much less than outside. Culturable results due this week. Please contact Cassie or me if you have questions.

From: Fielden, Daniel
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:10 PM
To: Wilson, Howard
Cc: Watson, Cassie; Barbour-Swann, Shuan
Subject: FW: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Hey Howard,

Here is what Mark was able to give us so far about the sampling performed at PY.

Dan

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From: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS) [<mailto:Mark.Burke@foh.hhs.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 4:08 PM
To: Fielden, Daniel
Subject: Re: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Hi Dan, here is the info that we have available right now: we have received the mold spore results for the EPA space.

The spore results for both indoor samples were insignificant 40 and 107 spores/m3

Outside sample results were 42,700 spores/m3.

We are still waiting on plate (culturable) results, and hope to be able to get those results to you later on this week. And a full report the following week, maybe by 10/22

Thanks!

Mark

From: Fielden, Daniel [<mailto:Fielden.Daniel@epa.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 01:18 PM

To: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS)

Cc: Barbour-Swann, Shuan <Barbour-Swann.Shuan@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Hey Mark,

I wanted to check with you and see if we had an estimated timeframe on results from this sampling? I know that (b) (6) but EPA would like to be able to provide an estimate to the employees.

Thanks.

Dan

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From: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS) [<mailto:Mark.Burke@foh.hhs.gov>]

Sent: Monday, September 29, 2014 2:24 PM

To: Fielden, Daniel

Subject: RE: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Great! No problem.

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Sent: Monday, September 29, 2014 1:21 PM
To: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS)
Cc: michael cecil (cecilinc@comcast.net)
Subject: RE: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Hey Mark,

We've scheduled the sampling to take place on Wednesday morning at 0700.

Thanks for coordinating all of this.

Dan

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From: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS) [<mailto:Mark.Burke@foh.hhs.gov>]
Sent: Monday, September 29, 2014 1:23 PM
To: Fielden, Daniel
Cc: michael cecil (cecilinc@comcast.net)
Subject: RE: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Dan, I've got someone lined up to conduct the fungal sampling at the EPA Potomac Yards facility on Wednesday. Kim from Mike Cecil's will call you to work out the logistics. Thank you, Mark Burke

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From: Fielden, Daniel [<mailto:Fielden.Daniel@epa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 2:35 PM
To: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS)
Subject: RE: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Hey Mark,

If earlier possible, then Wednesday would be great.

Thanks.

Dan

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From: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS) [<mailto:Mark.Burke@foh.hhs.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 3:01 PM
To: Fielden, Daniel
Subject: RE: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Dan, so far the best I can do is a guy who can do the sampling on Wednesday – is that too late? I'm still checking for some other options, though. Mark

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From: Fielden, Daniel [<mailto:Fielden.Daniel@epa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 1:36 PM

To: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS)

Subject: RE: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Hey Mark,

It is likely to be me, so let us work under that assumption and if it changes I will let you know.

Thank you for your help and responsiveness, it is greatly appreciated.

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From: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS) [<mailto:Mark.Burke@foh.hhs.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 2:04 PM

To: Fielden, Daniel

Subject: RE: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Mr. Fielden, I will see what I can do to get someone out there as soon as possible to do the sampling. Who will be the point of contact at the Potomac Yards facility, so I can verify that the inspection date/time is okay?

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From: Fielden, Daniel [<mailto:Fielden.Daniel@epa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 10:12 AM
To: Burke, Mark (PSC/FOH/EHSS)
Cc: Wilson, Howard; Barbour-Swann, Shuan
Subject: Airborne Fungal Testing and Visual Inspection - New Project

Hello Commander Burke,

EPA has requested that I reach out to you regarding having both viable and non-viable fungal sampling performed in an office space at EPA's Potomac Yards facility located at 2733 Crystal Drive in Arlington, Virginia. Ideally EPA would like this performed as soon as possible, such as tomorrow or Monday.

The sampling is in response to an employee who reported a diagnosed fungal infection in their lungs, so there is only the one office that is a concern. However, I'd expect that there'd be at least three samples in total: the primary office, one other interior location, and an exterior sample.

Thank you for your help.

Dan

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Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2014 12:21 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Watson, Cassie
Subject: FW: Availability for Final All-Hands Meeting with ORCR

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From: Hugh At HPE [mailto:hgranger@hpenviron.com]
Sent: Friday, October 10, 2014 6:43 PM
To: Wilson, Howard
Subject: Re: Availability for Final All-Hands Meeting with ORCR

Orioles it is.

The first Tuesday could work but morning would be best. I will need to fly out ASAP once we are finished. So, November 4 I can do.

Hugh

R. Hugh Granger, Ph.D.
HP Environmental, Inc.

On Oct 10, 2014, at 5:36 PM, Wilson, Howard <Wilson.Howard@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks Hugh. Mondays are a difficult day because of compressed work schedules -- I would request your availability Tues-Thurs in the first two weeks of Nov. KC has changed for the better over the years -- enjoy; but I need you to be an Orioles not a Royals fan tonight.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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Howard.

Thanks for getting back to me. I am in Kansas City at the moment - what a great city. I am in Houston next week.

The four weeks in November would be very tight for me - but not absolutely impossible, but very tough. If those last days of October do not work, then maybe Monday Nov. 3 could work for you? That would be the least painful. I am very committed to supporting the group so please let me know how much flexibility you have. I could do late in the week October 23 or 24 (Thursday or Friday). Again, please let know what will work - I will try my best.

Regards.

Hugh

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Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 12:29 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Watson, Cassie; Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: FW: Availability for Final All-Hands Meeting with ORCR

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Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2014 11:30 AM
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Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 3:33 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Wilson, Howard; Huff, Mark J
Subject: RE: 5th Floor

Hi Roy,
Howard reached out to Dr. Granger on Thursday and I'm not sure if he received a response to date. Howard is out today and should return tomorrow.

R/ Cassie

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 3:30 PM
To: Watson, Cassie; Wilson, Howard
Cc: Huff, Mark J
Subject: RE: 5th Floor

OK Cassie thanks. Any contact yet with Dr. Granger about a date for the All Hands?

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 10:24 AM
To: Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Cc: Huff, Mark J
Subject: RE: 5th Floor
Importance: High

Roy et al.,

We do not have results from this sampling yet. Sampling was performed last Wednesday, meaning that the laboratory probably got the samples Thursday morning. Then the plates usually have to incubate for 24-48 hours before analysis before the lab even has the results to generate a report.

I will let you know as soon as we get the results.

R/Cassie

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 7:58 AM
To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie
Cc: Huff, Mark J
Subject: 5th Floor

Howard/Cassie: good morning. Wanted to check and see if you've been provided with a final report or at least been made aware of the fungal testing results yet? Asking because I'd like to include mention of it in the Monday update I'll be sending out later today. Also, has anyone been in touch with Dr. Granger and anyone else regarding a date that will work for all to conduct a final All-hands? Thanks very much.

Roy

Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2014 4:13 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Prince, Roy; Huff, Mark J; Watson, Cassie; Barbour-Swann, Shuan; Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: Responses to Questions -- All-Hands Meeting on Pesticide Spray Incident
Attachments: [REDACTED] E-Mail Response - HW9-29.docx; Cassidy Turley Actions Attachment 7.29.14.pdf

[REDACTED] I've attached a file with your email questions and our responses. I have also attached a file that lists the early actions taken by the building management company that we reference in our responses. Please let me, Cassie Watson or Roy know if you are interested in additional information or would like to discuss the responses we've provided.

Howard

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Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 4:17 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Watson, Cassie; Carpenter, Wesley
Cc: Huff, Mark J
Subject: RE: Draft Response to [REDACTED]

Thanks Roy

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Monday, September 29, 2014 4:33 PM
To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie; Carpenter, Wesley
Cc: Huff, Mark J
Subject: FW: Draft Response to [REDACTED]

Howard: looks good to me and thanks very much - only one comment: This part of the answer to 5 – I'm assuming you will take out "verify with facilities"? They may have used some shampoos on the rugs.

- No cleaning agents other than water and mild dish soap was used during the cleanings – verify with facilities.

Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Monday, September 29, 2014 4:11 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Watson, Cassie; Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: Draft Response to [REDACTED]

Your comments, please.

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Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Friday, September 26, 2014 6:00 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Prince, Roy; Watson, Cassie
Subject: Response to your Questions on the Pesticide Incident and All-Hands Meeting

[REDACTED]

I apologize that it has taken longer than I expected to get you a response to your email with questions from the recent all-hands meeting and the reports by Dr. Granger and Dr. Holland. Three of our staff including me and Cassie Watson have been on leave during the last ten days. I completed a review of the response to your letter today and expect that we will be sending our response to you on Monday or Tuesday. Again, I am sorry for the delay.

Howard

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Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Friday, September 26, 2014 5:53 PM
To: Watson, Cassie
Cc: Fielden, Daniel
Subject: [REDACTED] Questions on the PY Incident Stemming from the All-Hands Mtg.
Attachments: [REDACTED]-Mail Response-how9-26.docx; Cassidy Turley Actions Attachment 7.29.14.pdf

Cassie/Dan: I have attached my responses as track changes to [REDACTED] email. I would appreciate your review and edits. I would like to get [REDACTED] a response by COB Monday.

Howard

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Prince, Roy

From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 5:05 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Subject: RE: follow-up questions regarding the response to the 5th floor pesticide release

Roy: I will commit to a response by the end of the week; Cassie has been out of the office on sick leave and I have returned today from annual leave.

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 4:04 PM
To: Wilson, Howard
Cc: [REDACTED] Watson, Cassie
Subject: RE: follow-up questions regarding the response to the 5th floor pesticide release

Howard: [REDACTED] is asking if answers have been formulated yet to her questions. Thank you.

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2014 8:08 AM
To: Wilson, Howard
Cc: [REDACTED] Watson, Cassie; Devlin, Betsy; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Huff, Mark J
Subject: Re: follow-up questions regarding the response to the 5th floor pesticide release

Thank you Howard. Please respond directly to [REDACTED] and cc all that you see here.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 9, 2014, at 6:52 PM, "Wilson, Howard" <Wilson.Howard@epa.gov> wrote:

I'm assuming you would like us to respond directly to [REDACTED] and copy you or respond directly to you for your distribution?

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Tuesday, September 09, 2014 6:14 PM
To: [REDACTED] Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie
Cc: Devlin, Betsy; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Huff, Mark J
Subject: Re: follow-up questions regarding the response to the 5th floor pesticide release

Howard: we have received some questions from one of our employees that appear best answered by SHEMD please. Thank you very much Roy

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 9, 2014, at 2:45 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Roy,

Once again, I have some questions and concerns about EPA's response to the pesticide release. I have broken them down into two sections: (1) EPA's response letter to OSHA and (2) Dr. Granger's report.

EPA's Letter to OSHA:

1. I disagree with the way they characterized the July 3rd incident in the first sentence, which I acknowledge they may be doing so for legal reasons. At this time, I do not think that calling the hazard "alleged" is accurate, especially given the documented accounts of the people who were here July 3rd. Also, the phrase "potential employee irritation due to pesticide exposure" ignores the continuous symptoms that some employees are still experiencing over two months later, as well as the initial symptoms some people experienced in the weeks following the pesticide release.
2. I want to gain an understanding of how EPA is defining "significant coordination" in the letter, especially with regard to EPA management and employees. Some people on the 5th floor did not receive any official notice of the release until nearly a month after the incident, when the first of two all hands meetings was held. I want to understand what management knew in the immediate days and weeks following the release and why that information was not conveyed to staff immediately. During those first few weeks without any communication from management, many of the staff on the 5th floor were breathing in the chemicals from the release without their knowledge or consent. It was only after about three weeks that people were given the options to move to another cubicle or exercise liberal episodic telework.
3. I also want to know what actions were taken in those initial weeks, given the claims there was "significant coordination" among multiple parties, that a "thorough investigation" was performed, and a "comprehensive response" was conducted. As far as staff knows, no actions were taken in the first few weeks after the incident. It appears that EPA only began to act after the OSHA complaint was received, many weeks after the incident occurred. I would not define the actions taken by EPA since the OSHA complaint as thorough or comprehensive. But then, there has not been much communication between SHEMD and ORCR staff so their actions (in detail) largely remain unknown, particularly with regard to those first few weeks.
4. Although sampling finally was conducted on the fifth floor, albeit nearly two months after the incident (which itself is a problem that deserves explanation), staff was not provided with the sampling and analysis plan. What sampling strategy was chosen and why? Nor was staff consulted regarding the "hot spots" on the fifth floor. So, how were the locations chosen? Who made these decisions? Were porous materials sampled in addition to nonporous materials? What is the rationale for only sampling those two chemicals with the wipes, especially given Dr. Granger's report? Were the unions involved in these decisions?

5. With regard to the cleaning that has been done to date, why was the cleaning limited to just one area of the floor, especially given that the release could be smelled in every part of the 5th floor (probably because they opened the doors and used a fan to circulate the air)? What was the extent of the cleaning? Were desks, carpeting, cubicle walls, ceiling tiles, etc. cleaned in the surrounding area or just in the office where the release originated? Also, how could they have begun cleaning anything without knowing what they were cleaning? Until Dr. Granger's report, which was issued nearly two months after the incident, there was little to no understanding of what occurred and why. Therefore, the cleaning agents that were used could have made the situation worse by reacting adversely with the released chemicals. Typically, testing and sampling is done before decontamination can be done, assuming the goal is to effectively decontaminate an area in order to return it to its primary use/function. This was not the case here. If the first few cleanings have been ineffective in removing the odor and protecting people, making them feel safe, why do they believe further cleaning, as promised by the letter, is going to help? Symptoms from this pesticide release were experienced by people in many different parts of the fifth floor, not just in one particular area.
6. Other than collaborating with the EPA unions to allow alternative worksites and extended telework opportunities, how else has management engaged the unions? What other role or impact did the unions have on the actions and investigation undertaken by EPA?
7. Given the many unanswered questions and concerns that I and other staff members have, what basis is SHEMD relying on to "close-out" this investigation in early October?

Dr. Granger's Report:

1. Dr. Granger included a "Statement of Work" in his report and admitted that he created this statement of work without having knowledge of the terms of the original contract that procured his services. As someone who worked in Contracts, this possible discordance troubles me, and I want to know how his statement of work matches (or not) the official, contractual statement of work.
2. I am concerned about the limitations Dr. Granger listed in his report. These limitations include:
 - a. "The review was commissioned approximately 5 weeks post-event" → Why was the review not undertaken sooner, when it would or could have been more effective and successful?
 - b. "The insecticide product and the plant that was treated with the insecticide product are no longer available for examination or testing" → Why were they thrown away prior to EPA's investigation?
 - c. "Prior to this review, materials such as carpets and ceiling tiles located in the insecticide over-spray zone, as well as building surfaces on the 5th floor including windows, carpets and furnishings, have been cleaned to remove potential residues of the insecticide" → Once again, why was cleaning done before the investigation and without understanding what was being cleaned?
 - d. "For these and other reasons, exposure assessment shall be estimated using best available data and/or information, including product labeled ingredients and concentrations" → Despite this statement, Dr. Granger did not consult with staff who worked on the fifth floor, who could have provided him with additional "best available data and/or information" to factor into his study. Also, due to these limitations, the results of his investigation do not provide confidence to me or other people working on the fifth floor that "[t]here is currently no toxicological-based rationale [sic] for avoidance of the 5th floor."

3. In his statement of work, he lists the methods he used in his investigation, which included “[c]onduct[ing] interviews with key persons involved in the initiating event” and “[f]acilitat[ing] consultations with subject matter experts as necessary.” In the second all hands meeting where Dr. Granger presented his report, he admitted that talking to employees working on the fifth floor was not one of his methods for gathering information. If he had done so, his report may be more factually accurate. For example:
 - a. He wrote that “[o]dors associated with the incident are no longer reported by building occupants.” However, at the meeting, people told him that they still smelled odors so I do not understand how he concluded that odors were no longer present. If he had spoken to the employees on the fifth floor, he would have learned that odors were still present when he was writing his report.
 - b. Also, he concluded that “[b]ased on available information, including anecdotal reports, there is no indication that the insecticide product was spilled, released, or otherwise used in a manner inconsistent with labeled instructions.” However, at the all hands meeting, he was informed by someone who worked in the Pesticides office that, given the information provided, it likely was used in a manner that would be considered a misuse of the label. On what basis can Dr. Granger make a legal conclusion?
 - c. He wrote that “[f]ollowing the IAQ incident, no emergency medical treatment was reported for any occupant.” Dr. Granger was made aware that someone did in fact go to the emergency room as a result of this incident during the all hands meeting.
4. Dr. Granger said at the all hands meeting that he would not revise his report based on what he learned from employees during the meeting because it would only change “nuances” of his report. I disagree with this characterization.
5. Dr. Granger relied on Dr. Holland’s report for symptoms experienced by fifth floor employees. He wrote, “[t]he analysis and conclusions presented are products of a process that included interviews with building occupants to clarify their reported circumstances and personal observations and a medical symptom survey intended to document physical experiences and health effects.” Because the twenty-five people who met with Dr. Holland voluntarily chose to meet with him, Dr. Holland’s report should not have been used to represent all fifth floor employees as it does not present a statistical sampling of impacted employees. As a result, no definitive findings should have been made based on that report.

In short, staff deserves explanation as to why certain decisions were made or not made, who made which decisions, whether those decisions were made with union or staff input, the timing of EPA’s actions and decisions, and the lack of communication to staff during the first month following the incident. Fifth floor employees were not consulted on many of the decisions made, even though they are the people most impacted by the pesticide release. The long-term effects of the pesticide release are still unknown, and no one has yet addressed the mental/psychological impacts, in addition to the short-term physical symptoms, that this incidents has caused. I, as well as other staff, are concerned about the impacts on their long-term health, given that some people are still smelling an odor and experiencing symptoms over two months later. In addition, people are anxious and worried about working on the 5th floor because of the release and do not trust that working on the floor is “safe.” The actions EPA has taken to date and promises to take in the next couple of weeks most likely will not alleviate staff’s concerns. Therefore, I recommend that porous materials on the fifth floor be replaced with new materials as soon as possible, in addition to an actual thorough, comprehensive cleaning of the entire fifth floor.

I appreciate you forwarding my email to the proper people. If possible, can you copy me on the email? I look forward to getting specific, detailed answers to my lingering concerns and questions.

Thanks again for all of your help, Roy.



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Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2014 10:41 AM
To: Prince, Roy; Coleman, Cheryl; Villamizar, Nicole
Cc: Wilson, Howard; Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: RE: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

Roy,
We should have the report within the next two weeks at the latest.

R/Cassie

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2014 9:01 AM
To: Watson, Cassie; Coleman, Cheryl; Villamizar, Nicole
Cc: Wilson, Howard; Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: RE: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

Sounds good Cassie and thank you. Any feel for when we'll see the final report? Much appreciated.

Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2014 8:53 AM
To: Prince, Roy; Coleman, Cheryl; Villamizar, Nicole
Cc: Wilson, Howard; Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: RE: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

Roy,
Yes, the direct-read measurements of the other IAQ parameters will be listed in the final report. To my knowledge, outside of the temperatures in the office areas being slightly cooler than the ASHRAE recommended comfort range for the summer/transitional season, there were no problems noted.

R/Cassie Watson

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: 9/17/2014 8:01 AM
To: Coleman, Cheryl; Watson, Cassie; Villamizar, Nicole
Subject: FW: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

Good morning Cassie, Thanks for providing the additional parameters that were included in the testing. I'm assuming all of those tested normal as well? Thanks.

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 2:01 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Cc: Villamizar, Nicole
Subject: RE: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

Roy,

Yes, other environmental parameters included volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, relative humidity and temperature.

R/ Cassie

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 12:04 PM
To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie
Cc: Villamizar, Nicole
Subject: FW: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

Howard/Cassie: Nicole has asked a question related to the update I sent out last night. She's asked if the indoor air samples included testing for anything beyond Pyrethrum and Piperonyl Butoxide? Thank you.

Roy

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Monday, September 15, 2014 3:45 PM
To: OSWER ORCR EVERYONE
Subject: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

Hello everyone- here is the latest update regarding the situation impacting our 5th floor space as of Monday, September 15th :

- The Safety, Health, and Environmental Management Division (SHEMD) has informed us they received the results of the indoor air samples taken on the 5th floor two weeks ago. All air and surface wipe samples revealed concentrations below detection limits for Pyrethrum and Piperonyl butoxide (was no evidence of residual contamination from the recent application in the office area. They are awaiting a final report from the Federal Occupational Health office and that will be shared upon receipt.
- ORCR is currently working with SHEMD to determine the date for the next ORCR All-hands meeting for the purpose of informing us of any additional findings. That meeting is expected to occur sometime during the first two weeks of October.
- The Facilities Division continues the process of exploring options for further cubicle cleaning.

We will continue to let you know information as we receive it, along with sending out regular emails Monday and Wednesday afternoons until this situation has been fully resolved.

Thanks again for your continued patience and let me and/or your managers know if there is anything we can do to help.

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Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 4:46 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Cc: Huff, Mark J; Carpenter, Wesley
Subject: RE: Last All-hands regarding 5th floor

Importance: High

Hi Roy/Mark,
I'm not sure what date the everyone agreed upon.

Cassie

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 4:31 PM
To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie
Cc: Huff, Mark J
Subject: Last All-hands regarding 5th floor

Cassie/Howard: I wanted to begin discussing please a good date (i.e., one that could incorporate all on your end, Dr. Granger, hopefully Dr. Holland, and any others that you think should be involved) to conduct a final All-hands meeting regarding the 5th floor. If I remember correctly, we were discussing the first week or two of October?

Roy

Prince, Roy

From: Watson, Cassie
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 2:01 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Cc: Villamizar, Nicole
Subject: RE: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

Roy,

Yes, other environmental parameters included volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, relative humidity and temperature.

R/ Cassie

From: Prince, Roy
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 12:04 PM
To: Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie
Cc: Villamizar, Nicole
Subject: FW: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

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From: Wilson, Howard
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 1:24 PM
To: Prince, Roy
Cc: Watson, Cassie
Subject: Re: 5th Floor Space Update as of Monday, September 15th

I'll let Cassie confirm that additional parameters were monitored. I am out of the office today but recall they were proposing to do temp. Carbon dioxide, humidity and direct instrument read of total VOCs.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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From: Smith, HelenT
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 12:03 PM
To: Prince, Roy; Dady, John
Subject: FW: Cube Cleaning - 5th Floor

See the email below reference the 5th floor cubicle cleaning.

From: Rees, Regina [mailto:Regina.Rees@cassidyurley.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 11:59 AM
To: Smith, HelenT
Cc: Kirkland, Wanda
Subject: Cube Cleaning - 5th Floor

Hello Helen,

Due to insurance purposes, Red Coats just informed me that they will not be able to perform the cube cleaning on the 5th floor as they are not specialized/covered in cleaning fabrics. Red Coats understands it's just a wipe down but they've done something similar to this in the past and they ran into issues with it.

I'm sorry we couldn't be of more assistance.

Thank you.

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Prince, Roy

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Sent: Monday, September 15, 2014 8:16 PM
To: Lott, Don; Lantz, Tracy; Kelley, Rosemarie; Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Cc: Huff, Mark J
Subject: RE: OSHA Complaint No. 900683, U.S. EPA

Thanks, Don.

Sent from my Windows Phone

From: Lott, Don
Sent: 9/15/2014 5:51 PM
To: Watson, Cassie; Lantz, Tracy; Kelley, Rosemarie; Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
Cc: Huff, Mark J
Subject: RE: OSHA Complaint No. 900683, U.S. EPA

Thank you, Cassie. FIFRA section 6(a)(2) compliance is a current concern of ours as it goes to the underlying integrity of the pesticide registration process.

As a case-in-point, you may have noticed the press release today concerning a FIFRA case against DuPont in which DuPont was cited under 6(a)(2) for failure to provide information to OPP both before and after it registered a herbicide. As a result, a product was allowed to enter the market place, was used according to label directions (which were inadequate to provide the necessary protection of health and the environment), and resulted in the death of and serious damage to desirable trees in residential and golf course landscapes across the country. The case, which settled for \$1.85 million, was a significant statement about the importance of registrants providing the required 6(a)(2) data.

Based on your statement, it would seem that the registrant may not have been provided much information, if any, about the incident itself through its discussions with SHEMD staff. If there is a need to follow-up on the specifics of those discussions, somebody will be back in touch with your office. Again, thank you for getting back to us.

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Sent: Monday, September 15, 2014 5:18 PM
To: Lott, Don; Lantz, Tracy; Kelley, Rosemarie; Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard
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Don,

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R/Cassie

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Please note that SHEMD staff contacted the manufacturer to discuss the product and get information.

Respectfully,
Cassie Watson
Chief, Operations Branch
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From: Lantz, Tracy
Sent: Friday, September 12, 2014 6:16 PM
To: Kelley, Rosemarie; Prince, Roy; Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie

Cc: Lott, Don; Huff, Mark J

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From: Kelley, Rosemarie

Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2014 9:59 PM

To: Prince, Roy; Lantz, Tracy; Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie

Cc: Lott, Don; Huff, Mark J

Subject: RE: OSHA Complaint No. 900683, U.S. EPA

Tracy --

Wouldn't the registrant need to report the adverse effect to OPP pursuant to Section 6(a)(2)?

Rosemarie

From: Prince, Roy

Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2014 9:12 PM

To: Lantz, Tracy; Wilson, Howard; Watson, Cassie

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Sent from my iPhone

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Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 5, 2014, at 7:00 PM, "Lantz, Tracy" <Lantz.Tracy@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Roy,

I am new to OSWER and ORCR, on detail from the Office of Pesticide Programs, where I have served for well over a decade. I appreciate the fact that you continue to share information with the office regarding this investigation. Although I am not familiar with all of the details of this incident, I feel additional follow up needs to occur. It appears that this pesticide product was not used in accordance with the directions for use (directions did not allow dilution in water). Due to the concern that occupants of the building reacted to this pesticide application a pesticide incident report should be filed. Do you know if such a report has been initiated?

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From: Prince, Roy

Sent: Friday, September 05, 2014 6:34 PM

To: OSWER ORCR EVERYONE

Subject: Fwd: OSHA Complaint No. 900683, U.S. EPA

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Roy

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Director of SHEMD" <Director_of_SHEMD@epa.gov>

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